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International Appln No. PCT/JP03/13531	; )	
Filed: October 23, 2003	)	
For: NOVEL POLYHYDROXY ALKANOAT COPOLYMER INCLUDING WITHIN ITS MOLECULE UNIT HAVING VINYL GROUP OR CARBOXYL GROUP IN SIDE CHAIN AND PRODUCING METHOD THEREFOR	)	

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## **CONCLUSION**

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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